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SUBJECT: LTP – CSP – Revised End of 2005 Sign-up Procedures

<u>Purpose.</u> To distribute revised guidance on the procedure to place CSP applicants on a pending register and complete the application process after May 27.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2005

Immediate Action Required

Please note that the information in this bulletin supercedes the previously issued guidance concerning our actions on the last day of the CSP sign-up.

The 2005 CSP sign-up ends at the close of business, Friday, May 27. At that time all applicants that have indicated an interest in pursuing a CSP application, either in person, via fax on via phone call will be placed on a pending register and will be allowed to subsequently schedule a CSP interview and complete all necessary CSP eligibility documentation.

Interested applicants do not have to have completed any portion of the CSP application worksheets or workbook to qualify for placement on the pending register. They simply must notify NRCS of their intention to submit an application by the close of business on May 27. Refer to the CSP Manual, page 518-97, for an example of a CSP register.

The national office has been encouraged by many sources to extend the end of sign-up. Instead up extending the sign-up deadline this more liberal approach for placement on a pending register will allow NRCS to continue working with last minute interested applicants. Direct questions on the information in this bulletin to Leah Duzy, State CSP Coordinator.

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